

# Recursion-1

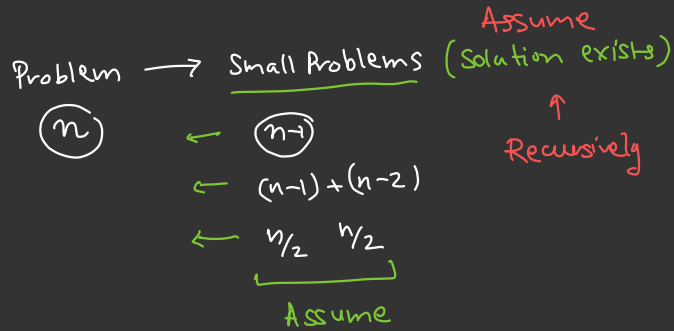
Doubt →

hello how are you  
← ollo woh era woy

[ → Fermat's ]  
Thm  
Doubt Session

## Recursion-1

Technique



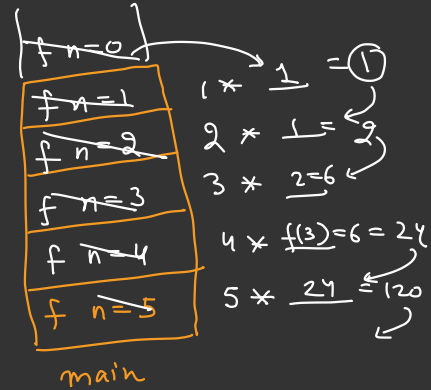
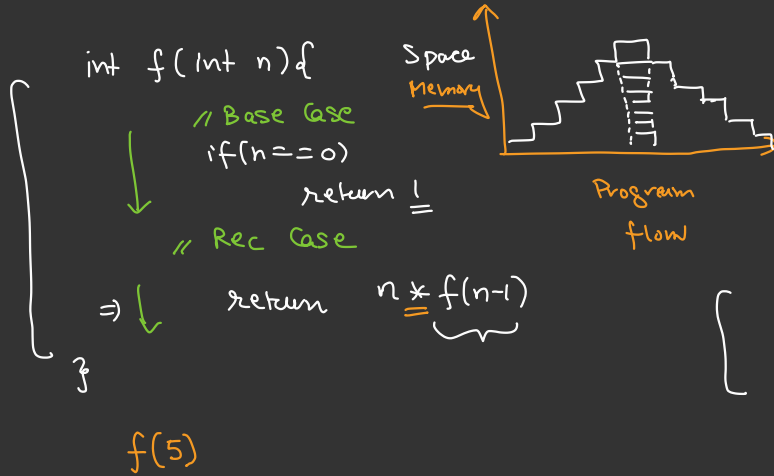
Rule

- ✓ ① Find out the solution for smallest N. [Base Case]
- ✓ ② Assume subproblem can be solved
- ✓ ③ Express  $f(n)$  in terms of smaller subproblem  $f(n')$  [rec case] [Rec. case]  
 $\boxed{n' < n}$

# Factorial

$$\Rightarrow 5! = 5 \times 4! \quad /$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow f(n) = n \times f(n-1) \quad \text{Rec Case} \\ \Rightarrow f(0) = 1 \end{array} \right.$$



Q) Given an array of size N, check if the array is sorted [Recursion]

1 3 5 7 12

A 1 3 5 7 12

bool isSorted(A, N) {

if (N == 1 or N == 0) {  
return true;

}  
new int[N-1]  
A' = subarray with 0 element remove!

return A[0] < A[1] && isSorted(A', N-1);

new array  
with  
0th element  
removed

Time =  $N \times N$   
=  $O(N^2)$  Bad : c

=> 1 < 3 && isSorted(3, 5, 7, 12)

3 < 5 && isSorted(5, 7, 12)

5 < 7 && isSorted(7, 12)

7 < 12 && isSorted(12)

N calls

=> 3 5 9 7

3 < 5 && isSorted(5, 9, 7)

5 < 9 &&

isSorted(9, 7)

Main

F = F

F = F

$9 < 7$   
 $F$      $8 < 8$   
 $F$      $8 < 8$   
 $\times$      $= (F)$

Cond 1 & Cond 2 =  $(F)$   
 $F$  (short-circuit)

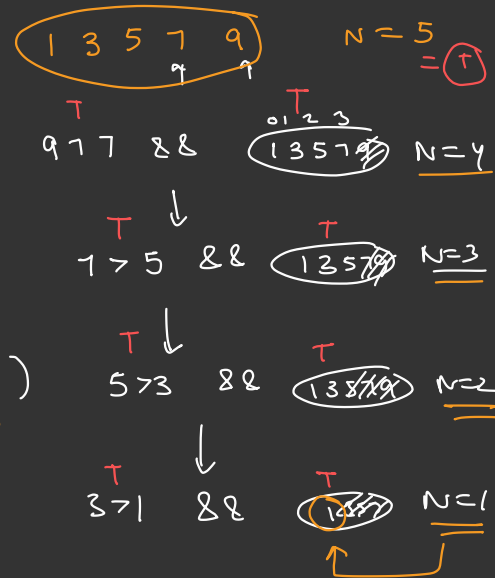
way-2



bool isSorted (A, N) {  
     if (N == 1 or N == 0)  
         return True;  
     return (A[N-1] > A[N-2]) & isSorted (A, N-1)

Size of array that we are considering  
 N = ~~arr.length~~

return (A[N-1] > A[N-2]) & isSorted (A, N-1)



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Time  $\rightarrow O(N)$   
 Space  $\rightarrow O(N)$

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$f(A, N)$  {

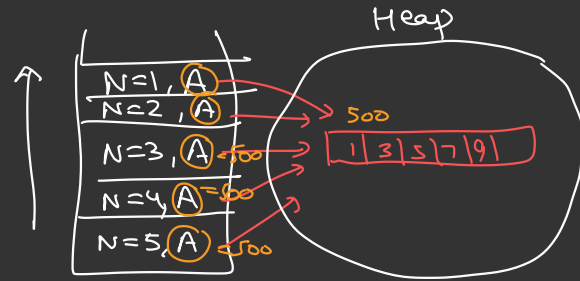
$\rightarrow f(A, N-1);$  <sup>500</sup> <sub>how many elements to consider</sub>

}

main() {

$A = \text{new int}[5]$

}



Stack share the  
some array

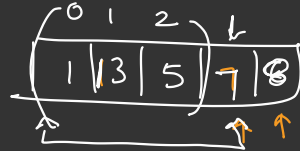
Function calls  
have a copy of  
array reference  
variable

bool isSorted(A, N) {

[ if (N == 1 or N == 0)  
return True,

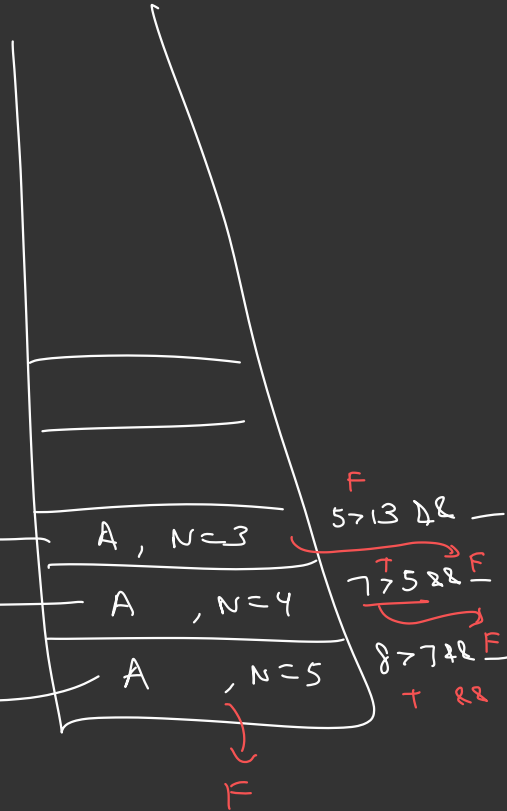
return (A[N-1] > A[N-2]) && isSorted(A, N-1)

N=3

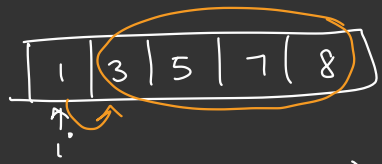


$5 < 3$  && True = false  
↑  
false

$(6 <= 2)$   
↓  
bool



way-3



isSorted (A, i, N) {

if ( i == n-1 ) {

return true;

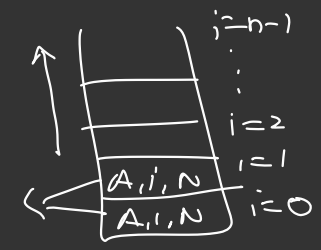
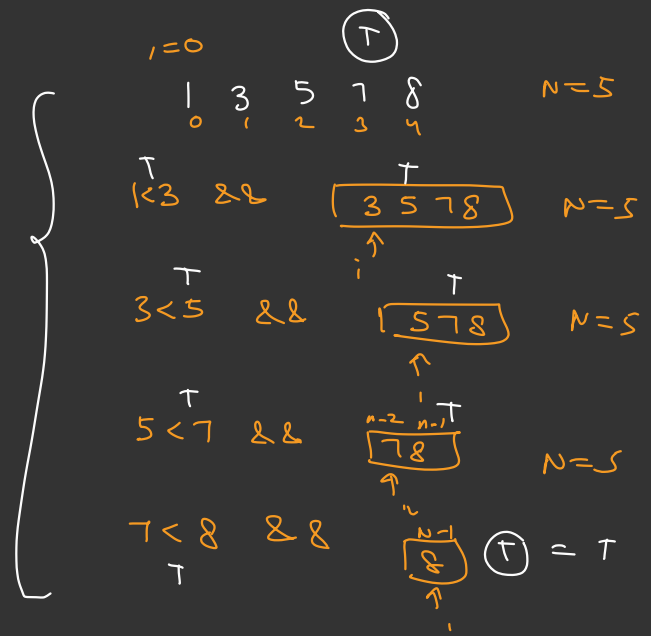
}

return A[i] < A[i+1] &&

isSorted(A, i+1, N);

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{TC} &= \text{No of calls} \times \text{work} \\
 &= N \times 1 = O(N) \\
 \text{Space} &= \underline{\underline{O(N)}}
 \end{aligned}$$





Rec → Many algorithms  
are very hard to write iteratively

→ Backtracking based problems.

→ Teaches you "how to think"

↳ Rec Code → Itr Code

Simple  
challenge

Given  $N$ , find sum of digits of  $N$  [Rec.]

int Sum (int  $N$ ) {

Base [ if ( $N==0$ )  
return 0

Rec [ return  $N\%10 + \text{Sum}(N/10)$ ,

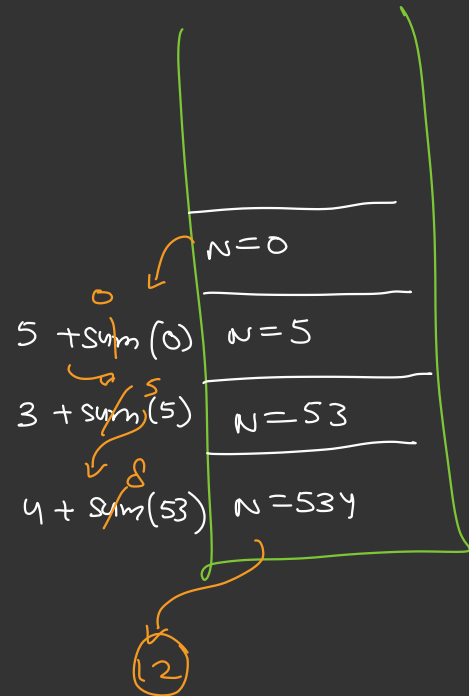
}

Time  $\leftrightarrow$  Space

$\hookrightarrow$   $O(\text{no of digits in } N)$

$$\text{Sum}(N) = N\%10 + \text{Sum}(N/10)$$

Sum(534)



## CHALLENGE

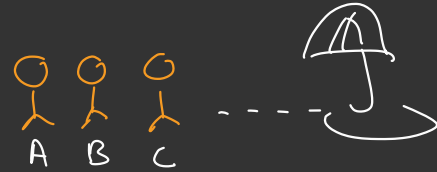
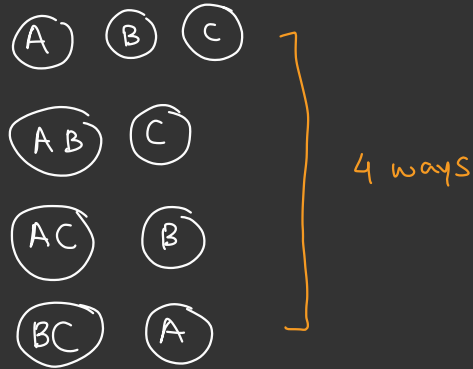
Q

$N$  friends want to go to party

Each friend can go solo or as a couple

Find no of ways in which they can go.

$N = 3$

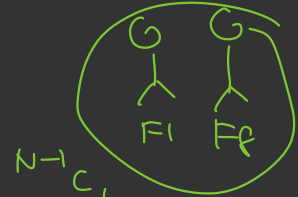
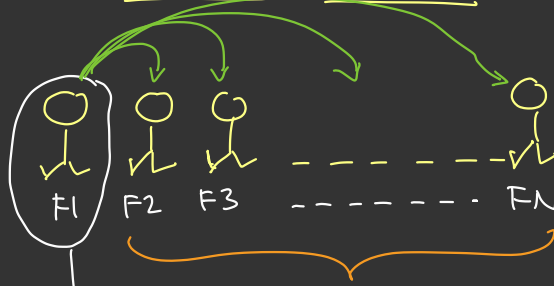


$A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$

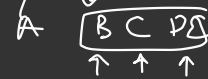
$f(N) = ?$

# Break it, Make it

→ Solve for one friend, let rec. solve for Rest

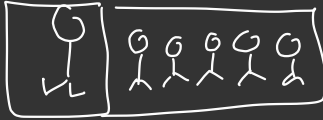


$N \rightarrow C_1$



$3C_1 = 3$

(AB) (CD E)



Choices

F1 and Solo x other ppl

OR

Pair x other ppl

$$f(N) = 1 \times f(N-1)$$

$$(N-1) \times f(N-2)$$

$$f(N) = f(N-1) + (N-1)f(N-2)$$

Base Case

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= 1 \\ f(2) &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

f(2) A, B  
f(1) (AB)

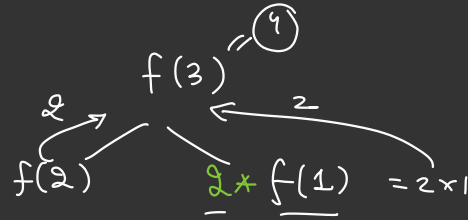
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int ways (int n) {
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    if (n <= 2) {
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        return n;
```

```
    return ways(n-1) + (n-1) ways(n-2);
```

```
}
```



$$f(3) = 2 + 2 \times 1 = \textcircled{4}$$

$$f(4) = f(3) + 3 \times f(2)$$

$$= \textcircled{4} + \underline{\underline{3 \times (2)}} = \textcircled{10} \text{ ways}$$

A Solve

A B C D

A Pair

(A) B, C, D }  
1

(A B) C, D }  
(A B) (C, D) }<sub>2</sub>

(A C) B, D }  
(A C) (B, D) }<sub>2</sub>

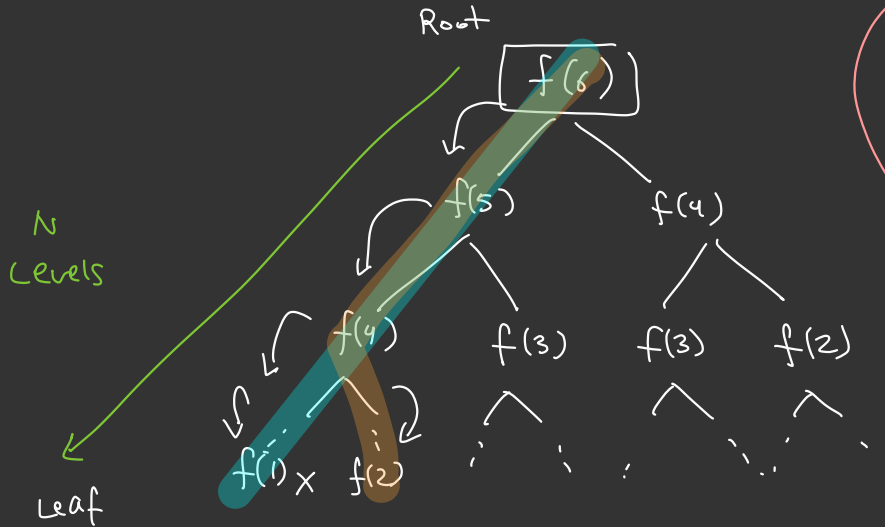
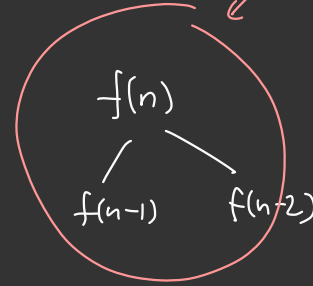
(A, D) B, C }  
(A D) (B C) }<sub>2</sub>



$$3 \times 2 = 6$$

$$4 + 6 = 10$$

just like fibonacci

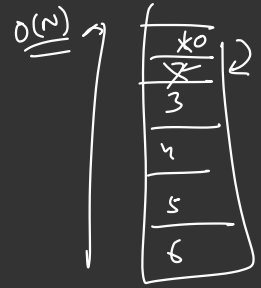
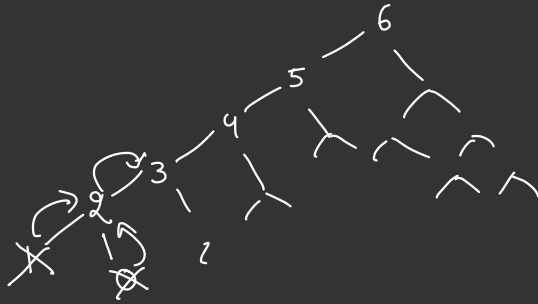


$$1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{2^n - 1}{2 - 1}$$

Space = Max Depth  
 $\hookrightarrow O(N)$

Time =  $O(2^n)$  fn calls



Rec. Thinking

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Directly?

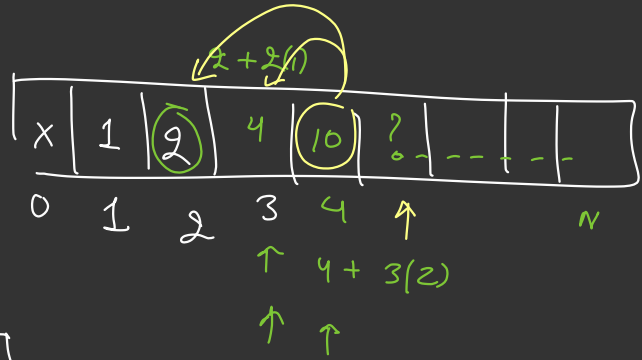
Iterative Code

```
for (i = 1 — N) {
    arr[i] = arr[i-1] + (i-1) * arr[i-2]
}
```

Current Term = 3 variables

↙ prev      ↓ prev prev

O(1) space



⇒ O(N) time

⇒ O(N) space

↑  
??  
= 3 variables

10.40 ← - Break - →



Indian Money Change Coins = [1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 2000] constant size 276

Given  $N$  Rupees, min notes/coins needed make a change for  $N$ .

$$\begin{aligned} N &= 276 - 200 \\ &= 76 - 50 \\ &= 26 - 20 \\ &= 6 - 5 \\ &= 1 - 1 \\ &= \boxed{0} \quad \text{Stop.} \end{aligned}$$

$200 + 50 + 20 + 5 + 1$   
"Greedy choice"

⇒ Pick the biggest note  $\leq N$  everytime

Search  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \text{Linear Search} \\ \rightarrow \text{Binary Search} \end{array} \right. \rightarrow \text{Anyone. } O(1)$



Base Case  $f(0) = 0$

Rec case  $f(N) = 1 + f(N - \text{largest note})$

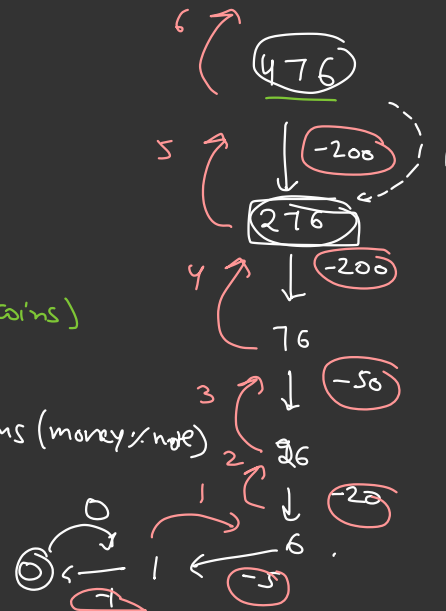
min Coins / notes

$276 \rightarrow \underbrace{1}_{\text{note } 200} + f(\underbrace{76}_4)$   
 $= 5 \text{ notes}$

Coins = [1, 2, 5, 10, ...]

```

int minCoins ( money, coins ) {
    if ( money == 0 ) {
        return 0;
    }
    note = search ( money, coins )
    print ( note, money / note )
    return ( money / note + minCoins ( money % note ) )
}
    
```



money >>> 2000

2 million

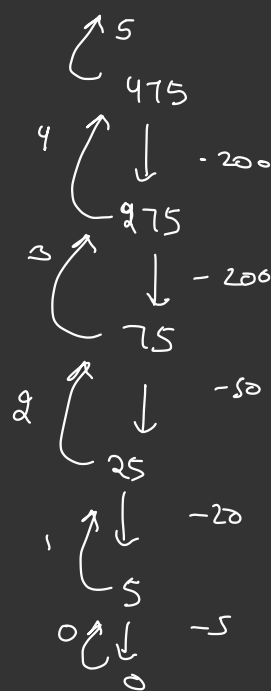
$$1000000 - 2000$$

$$= 999998000$$

10,00 20

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{\left( \frac{10020}{2000} \right)}_{\text{coins}} + f(20)$$

$$5 + f(20)$$



⇒



$$f(\text{money}) = \frac{\text{money}}{\text{note}} + f(\text{money \% note})$$

atmax 1 for  
every type note/  
coins

$$\left(\frac{5000}{2000}\right) + f(1000)$$

$$= 2 + f(1000) = 4$$

$$2 \times 2000 + 2 \times 500 = 5000$$

$$f\left(\frac{1000}{500}\right) + f(0) = 2 + 0 = 2$$

$$5000 = 2 \times 2000 + 2 \times 500$$

time →  $O(\text{len}(\text{coins}))$

$$= \boxed{O(1)}$$



[1, 2, 5, 10, 20, ..., 2000]

$$567 = \_ \times C1$$

$$\_ \times C2$$

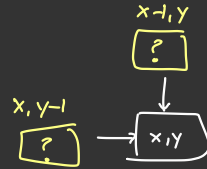
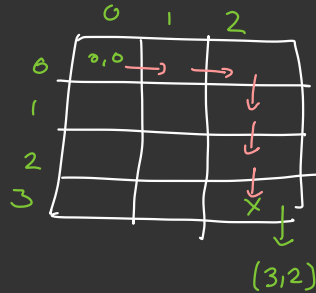
$$\_ \times C3$$



$$\_ \times 4$$

# 2D grid problem

no of ways to reach (3,2)

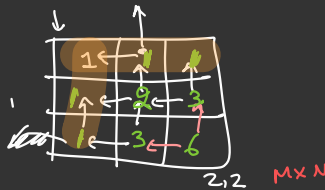


Rec Case

$$f(x, y) = f(x-1, y) + f(x, y-1)$$

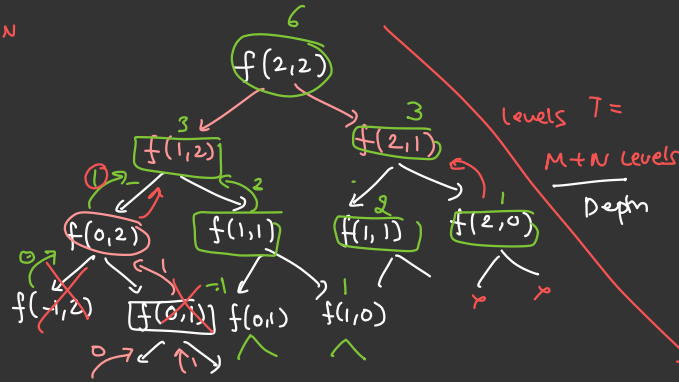
Base Case

$$f(0, 0) = 1$$



```
int f(x, y) {
    if (x == 0 || y == 0)
        return 1;

    return f(x-1, y) + f(x, y-1);
}
```



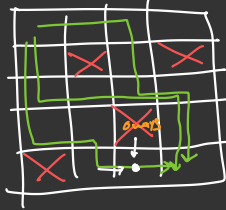
~~$\frac{1}{2}(1, 0)$~~      ~~$\frac{1}{2}(0, 0)$~~ 

$$\text{Time} = 2^T$$

$$= 2^{M+N}$$

$$\text{Space} = O(M + N)$$

## Twist



```

        arr[x][y] == 'X'
            return 0;
    }
}

```

3

int  $f(x, y)$  {  
 if ( $x, y == 0, 0$ ) { return 1 }  
 if ( $x, y$ ) is blocked or outside  
 return 0,  
 return  $f(x-1, y) + f(x, y-1);$

⇒ [Doubt]

⇒ "Hello" - "World" - X - Y  
olleH      dlrow      - -

Java/Python

→ split()

string = ["olleH", "-"]  
Jon

```
reverseWord(word, s, e) {  
  if (s == e) { return 3  
  - swap(a[s], a[e]);  
  - reverseWord(word, s+1, e-1)  
}
```

olleH  
↑↑↑↑  
ⓐ ⓑ

